

## PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

## Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of 2011 Iowa Code Supplement section 135.11, the Department of Public Health hereby adopts new Chapter 10, "Iowa Get Screened: Colorectal Cancer Program," Iowa Administrative Code.

The Iowa Get Screened (IGS): Colorectal Cancer Program is funded through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) under the Colorectal Cancer Control Program (CRCCP).

The purpose of the IGS program within available financial resources is to provide colorectal cancer screening and diagnostic services to underserved individuals aged 50 to 64 years; to provide public education and professional development; to support community partnerships; to enhance statewide cancer control activities; to increase individual awareness; to increase screening rates; to encourage policy changes that will increase screening; and to enhance infrastructure for monitoring colorectal cancer screening activities.

These rules allow agencies designated by contracting local boards of health and federally qualified health centers to provide community-based IGS program services and to receive funds from the Department for that purpose.

Under the IGS program, designated agencies shall facilitate essential screening and diagnostic services consistent with CDC recommendations. These guidelines are implemented and supported with the Medical Advisory Board's oversight. The program is intended to increase awareness of colorectal cancer through education in the community and to coordinate the provision of colorectal cancer screening and follow-up services to a target population. The aim of the IGS program is to increase colorectal cancer screenings to 80 percent for all eligible Iowans 50 to 64 years of age and to reduce the incidence of and mortality from colorectal cancer.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the February 8, 2012, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 9997B**. No written comments were received. Upon further internal review, the following changes were made to the rules as published under Notice. The "R" was dropped from the acronym for "colorectal cancer data elements" in the definition and in subparagraph 10.3(5)"e"(1); the acronym is "CCDE," not "CRCDE" as in the Notice. In the definition of "fecal immunochemical test," the word "preferred" was changed to "primary" as the fecal immunochemical test is the primary screening method for the IGS program. The definition now reads as follows:

*"'Fecal immunochemical test' or 'FIT' means the primary screening method for the IGS program to test for hemoglobin in the feces, a possible sign of colorectal cancer."*

In the definition of "surveillance," at the end of the first sentence, the phrase "which prescribe surveillance in two-, three-, five- or seven-year intervals" has been removed. The definition now reads as follows:

*"'Surveillance' means a periodic colonoscopy as recommended by a physician on a case-by-case basis for participants with a prior history of adenoma(s) or colorectal cancer in accordance with USPSTF recommendations. The purpose of surveillance is to rescreen and remove polyps that were missed on the initial colonoscopy or that developed in the interval since the previous colonoscopy."*

The word "cancer" was added before "screening" in the phrase "colorectal screening" in subparagraph 10.3(2)"e"(2) and paragraph 10.3(3)"c" to make usage of the term consistent throughout the chapter.

Finally, a cross reference to 10.7(1) was added to the end of paragraph 10.6(1)"b." The paragraph now reads as follows:

*"b. Upon enrollment, the participant shall be eligible for services for 12 months beginning from the date of enrollment, subject to restrictions in funding and program coverage as provided in subrules 10.6(2), 10.6(3) and 10.7(1)."*

The State Board of Health adopted these rules on March 14, 2012.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These rules will become effective on May 9, 2012.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 135.11(1) and 135.39 and 42 U.S.C. Section 241(a), as amended.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of these rules [Ch 10] is being omitted. With the exception of the changes noted above, these rules are identical to those published under Notice as **ARC 9997B**, IAB 2/8/12.

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